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In Re Application of:

K. FRANCIS et al.

Confirmation No.: 1639

Serial No.: 09/657,289

Group Art Unit: 1652

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Examiner: E. Slobodyansky

Title:

LUCIFERASE EXPRESSION CASSETTES AND METHODS OF USE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a Response to Requirement for Restriction mailed December 19, 2001. Submitted herewith is a petition for a two-month extension of time and appropriate fee, making a response due on or before March 19, 2002.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 19 March 2002

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NOTICE OF CHANGE OF STATUS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(g)(2), notice is hereby given that the above captioned application is no longer entitled to Small Entity Status.

Respectfully submitted,

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